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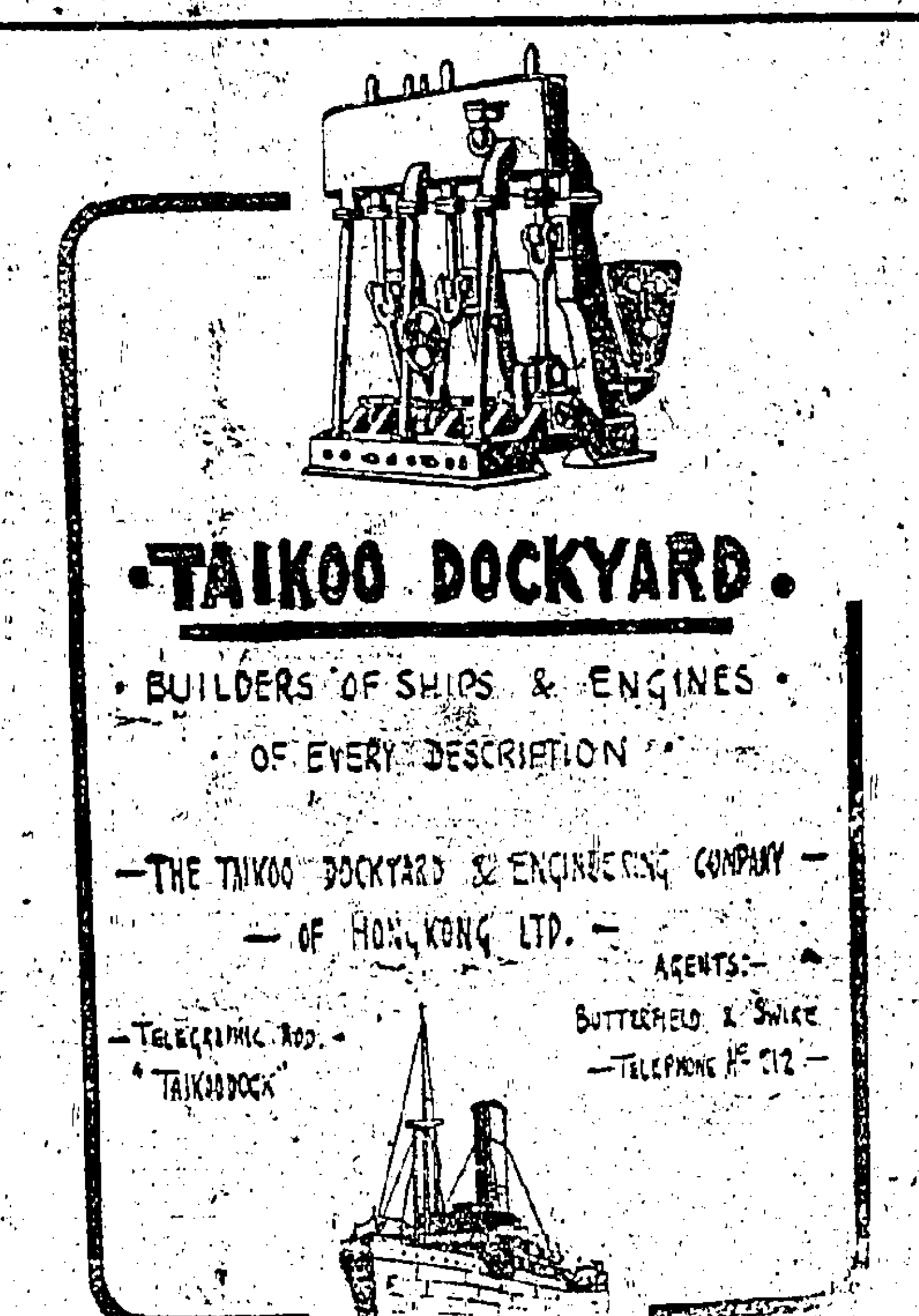
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**HEAVY FIGHTING ALONG
THE WHOLE BRITISH
FRONT.**

London, April 26.
12.10 a.m.
**BRITISH RETAKE POSITIONS AND
600 PRISONERS.**

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig
reports:—
The Franco-British positions from
northward of Baillieu to eastward of
Wyschnete were heavily attacked.
There has been fighting of great
severity all day on the whole of
this front, particularly in the neigh-
bourhood of Drunoutre, Kemmel and
Vierstraat. In the course of repeat-
ed attacks and counter-attacks, the
Allies were compelled to withdraw
from positions held this morning.
The fighting continues.

South of the Somme, successful
Australian and English counter-
attacks last night regained positions
in and around Villers Bretonneux
and advanced the line to within a
short distance of the former front.
We took over 600 prisoners. The
village is now in our hands. The
enemy employed at least four Divi-
sions in yesterday morning's attack
on this front. Prisoners state that
the objectives included Cuchy village
and the Cuchy-Foulloy road. The
objectives were not reached any-
where. The numbers of dead found
in the recaptured positions show that
the enemy's losses were very heavy.

AVIATION REPORT.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig's
report on aviation says:—
Despite the mist yesterday, con-
tinuous attacks were made in the
neighbourhood of Villers Bretonneux from
a low height and brought down three
enemy machines. Two of ours are
missing.
Our night-fliers dropped 54 tons
of bombs on Estaires, Armentieres
and Roulers and also on the railway
stations at Courtrai and Thourout.
All our machines returned.

**FRENCH OFFICIAL
REPORTS.**

A French communiqué states:—
There has been great reciprocal
artillery activity in the region of
Hargard and on both banks of the
Aves but no infantry movement.
The Germans in Woerwe, after a
furious bombardment, attacked in
the sector of Regneville and gained
a footing in our advanced line, but
were promptly ejected and the lines
restored. We took prisoners.
There was an artillery duel on the
right of the Meuse and in Vosges.
Seven German aeroplanes and an
enemy balloon were brought down
on the 22nd and 23rd. Ten other
aeroplanes were brought down badly
damaged in the enemy lines after
fights.

WHAT THE BATTLE REVEALS?
London, April 26.
The progress of the battle shows
that the Germans are continuing the
plan of striking in two directions
simultaneously, their immediate ob-
jectives being the Channel and
Amiens. They received a severe
repulse in the southern area, thanks
to the magnificent counter-attack
carried out by the Australians, in-
cluding the Berkshire, Northampton,
Duchess and Yorkshires. It was
the English regiments, to which
many young troops have recently
come from England, that gallantly
held Villers against an inferno of
gas-shelling, and, overwhelmed by
five Divisions of infantry, the
Germans were established a
permanent hold of the village which
they packed with machine-guns,
hence it was necessary that the
counter-attack should be a surprise.
Accordingly it was decided to make
a night-attack with bombs, bayonets
and machine-guns without artillery

preparation. The battle took hours
of the grimmest fighting, all the
more gruesome because the guns
were temporarily silent, as the com-
batants were anxiously aimed
before the Germans were finally
driven out and an important position
dominating Amiens restored to
British hands. The enemy will
probably return to the assault on
Villers on this account, but he is
here in a sharp awkward salient
formed by the confluence of the
Somme and Aves which is at pre-
sent nothing but a slaughter-house
for him. Hargard is almost equally
important, but it has changed hands
so often that the enemy's hold may
be considered precarious. It is pos-
sible, however, that a really big
offensive will develop south of Ypres,
and mention of heavy fighting north-
east of Baillieu may indicate such a
development.

The position at Kemmel where the
French hold critical positions is not
so satisfactory. The mention of
Vierstraat seems to suggest that the
withdrawal included retirement from
the last positions of Messines Ridge,
near Wyschnete.

**THE BRITISH SUCCESS AT VILLERS
BRETONNEUX.**

London, April 25.
10.35 p.m.

Reuter's Correspondent at British
Headquarters, telegraphs this even-
ing:—
The success at Villers Bretonneux,
beginning with the splendid counter-
attack yesterday evening, has been
a great performance. It cost the
Germans terribly dear to get footing
in the village. It will be scarcely
less expensive if they have been
cleared out as seems likely. We
have doubtless re-established the line
east of this place. The German
Tanks have not particularly distin-
guished themselves. The whole five
were concentrating upon a single
British "female," but on arrival of
a "male" Tank they quickly made
off. It was two of our light Tanks,
of the small, mobile pattern, which
did fearful execution among the
fresh enemy Division which had not
yet entered battle since arriving from
the Russian front. These Tanks
charged the massed troops again and
again, looking on their return as if
they had been wallowing in a vast
shambles.

An unconfirmed report states that
the Germans this morning reached
the crest of Mont Kemmel, but later
reports indicate that it is improbable
that the Allies have lost any high
ground. These last two nights the
enemy has attacked the French
around Drunoutre with a strength of
six battalions, and gained a tempo-
rary advantage, but was driven back
by counter-attacks. This morning a
much heavier assault was delivered
by four to six Divisions over a front
of seven miles on the line Meker-
Baillieu-Wyschnete. The Alpine
Corps, the Eleventh Bavarians and
the 117th Divisions consisting of
mountain troops were engaged, the
Juger regiments supporting, and an
entirely fresh Division, the 56th, was
identified. The attack overlapped on
our front on the right flank of the
French. Disconnected reports in-
dicate that the bullrush tactics of
enemy masses carried them through
the defensive line in places, and
possibly some German parties pro-
gressed towards the crest of Mont
Kemmel, but I am told this after-
noon that the French hold both
Kemmel village and hill, and it seems
that the danger to this important
strategic key position has been
averted. The Germans appreciate
the importance of Kemmel so fully
that bitter and prolonged fighting in
this zone is anticipated.

The latest report from Villers
Bretonneux is that the Germans ap-
pear to have been practically all
mopped up there and I expect we
will fully hold it by sunset. Thus
the enemy has suffered another de-
feat which makes only second to the
immense repulse he encountered in
Flanders on April 19 and, on a
smaller scale, is reminiscent of his
reverse at Arras.
(Continued on Page 2.)

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Hongkong, April 16, 1918. 330

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VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,
Etc.,
therein contained.

Comprising:—
Large Chesterfield Sofa and Arm-chairs, Extension Dining Table and Chairs, Glass Ware, Plate, Dinner Service, etc., etc.
Bedroom Furniture, (practically new), comprising Double and Single Beds, Brass-mounted and Oakwood Beds, Wardrobes, Dressing Tables, Washstands, Bookcases, Desks, etc., etc., Pantry and Kitchen Utensils, Cabinet Gramophone and a large number of Records.

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Hongkong, April 23, 1918. 351

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THE SUNDAY HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c.,
therein contained.

Comprising:—
Large Hallstand, (Powell make), Upholstered Sofa and Chairs, Pictures, etc., etc.
Bedsteads, Wardrobes, Dressing Table, Washstands, etc., etc., Bath Room, Pantry and Kitchen Utensils.

Also
ELECTRIC FITTINGS and CEILING FANS.
(Full Particulars from Catalogue).
Terms:—Cash.

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Hongkong, April 23, 1918. 353

PUBLIC AUCTION.
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TUESDAY,
the 30th April, 1918, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Ice House Street,

AN ASSORTMENT OF HOUSEHOLD LINENS, &c.,
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Single and Double Plain and Hemstitched Sheets, Pillow Cases, Bed Quilts, Table Cloths, Pure Linen Damask Serviettes, Bath Sheets, Bath Towels, Turkish Towels, Blankets.

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(Full Particulars from Catalogue).
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Hongkong, Apr. 22, 1918. 361

GERMAN IRON-MASTERS' AMBITIONS.
FRENCH LORRAINE MUST BE ANNEXED.
PEACE AND IRON MUST BE COMBINED.

At a festival conference of the combined iron and steel industries of the German Empire, held in Berlin, and attended by the leading representatives of the mining and smelting concerns in Westphalia, Lorraine and Silesia, Dr. Reichert, chairman of the various industries, addressed the gathering on "Iron and Iron in Germany's Future."

His speech was not one of those light-hearted and irresponsible utterances from second-rate men which are often served up to us, but the well-considered views of a leading man in a responsible position in the greatest German industry. We are aware of the influence which the iron and steel magnates, with the closely affiliated armament and munition firms, have hitherto exercised on the German Government and on public opinion in Germany. We are aware of the vast wealth at their disposal, and of the fatal use they have made of the influential Press in their pay.

Here in Dr. Reichert's address we have a flagrant instance of the uncoerced mercuries of these people, who have learnt nothing, who have forgotten nothing, and who are as ready and eager as ever to pursue the old courses which have led to such disaster.

BRITAIN SURPRISED.
The following are some of the most important passages in Dr. Reichert's address:—

"In our struggle for existence, iron and iron are our most indispensable war material, and therefore their production constitutes the most important task of our war economies and of the policy of the State." Dr. Reichert went on to say that the German iron industry had freed itself completely from its British teachers, and in many respects had surpassed the British industry. With regard to the working up and refinement and hardening of iron and steel, the British had been left far behind. "Not only have we beaten the British technically, but also economically. Even before the war we were able to show a production double that of England's smelting ovens."

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Dr. Reichert added that in the heavy Plunders battles more iron was used in a few hours than in the entire Franco-German war.

PEACE—WITH IRON ORE.
The lecturer went on to speak of Germany's dependence on foreign countries for the raw material of its iron and steel industry. He proceeded:— "We must conclude a peace."

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unhindered entrance for our goods to all countries now at war with us, but also the right to acquire and exploit iron mines, and to export their products without let or hindrance.

"An industry which employs two million men and gives bread to eight millions of the German population must be placed in a secure position, and have a foundation on which it can build a future. The extension of our frontier, necessary for securing our industrial future, must not be spoken of as annexation; only narrow strips of frontier are in question, and these may be won in the shape of fortifications of frontier."

The lecturer then addressed himself to the importance of the French iron basins of Briey and Longwy for the German iron and steel industries. "Just as German Lorraine was our salvation in the present war, French Lorraine will, in our hands, save us from future destruction. Our Chancellor has said that an enduring and general peace is impossible so long as the integrity of the German Empire is not secured, and the life interests and dignity of our Fatherland confirmed. We do not doubt that our highest Army Command will understand that among the life interests of Germany is included the annexation of those narrow French-Lorraine districts which include Briey and Longwy."

THE LONG-RANGE GUN.
"Stingaree" writes to the *Standard* of Calcutta:— "About 24 years ago there was invented in America a gun in which the shock of recoil was eliminated by firing the gun in opposite directions simultaneously. The breech is in the centre of the barrel and, while the shell is projected from one end, there is a charge of small shot or similar material fired from the other end. The force of the explosion is thus taken up in equal and opposite directions and recoil is eliminated. The object of this invention was to enable guns of comparatively small calibre to be used on aeroplanes. There is naturally loss of muzzle velocity, but as the aeroplane could approach the object aimed at, great range is not essential since if flying low the target is quite close and if from a high altitude, the gun is really only required to direct the projectile. Recently, there was a film exhibited, picturing some of these weapons; in one case a gun is fired while resting on a man's shoulder, and later on, as far as I can remember, a 4-inch gun is shown. Now if a 4-inch gun has been manufactured for aeroplane work, is it not possible that the Germans have developed a gun of 9½ inches for use on Zeppelins? These monsters have so much more carrying power and stability than an aeroplane that there would be little difficulty in building a gondola to carry this gun. There would be a certain amount of swaying which would make ranging and accurate shooting only moderately possible. Extracting the cartridge, reloading and firing would require some considerable period of time owing to the size of the shell and the double charge. Now both these conditions have been reported: viz., in accurate shooting and a long period of time between the shots. A Zeppelin at 15,000 feet would hardly be noticed with a gun of a few miles' range; the airship would be practically invisible in hazy, and totally invisible in cloudy weather. As to the noise of the discharge, it would not be heard to any extent as the sound waves would be projected horizontally in a rarified atmosphere and, by the time they had spread sufficiently to reach the earth, would hardly be audible."

Apparently only the base of one of these shells has been found as no details have been given of length or weight but only the diameter. I think that above weapon is much more within the bounds of possibility than a gun with the range of 75 miles about which no one has ever heard previously.

COLLISION AT SEA.
PENANG STEAMER SUNK.
The steamer *Hugh W.*, which arrived at Penang on the 14th instant, brought news of a collision she had had with the Eastern Shipping Company's steamer *Mary Austin*. It appears that the *Hugh W.*, which was proceeding outwards, collided with the *Mary Austin* inward bound at about 2.30 on Sunday morning, the result of which the *Mary Austin* was sunk. The *Hugh W.* immediately rendered all assistance possible, but unfortunately out of the 35 of the *Mary Austin* only seven were saved. Among those who were drowned were the Captain, a Malay named E. M. Gall, who was well known in Penang shipping circles.

The late Mr. Gall, who was 45 years old, was a native of Penang, and had a mother and sister at home and a brother in California for whom much sympathy is felt. He had been in the Eastern Ship

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ing Company's services for over 10 years. Captain E. M. Galloway has also been in the service of the Company for ten years.

The *Hugh W.* was formerly the German *Allegria*, which was captured by the Chinese and chartered by the Nippon Yusen Kaisha for the Japan-Calcutta line. She has a gross tonnage of 4,634, having a dimension of 39' 7" x 45' 6" x 24', and was built by Harland and Wolff, Ltd., Belfast, in 1903, for the Hamburg America Line. The *Mary Austin* was a vessel of 197 tons, built by Marshalls of Newcastle, in 1905, and was only recently put on the Port Swettenham-Singapore run.

Mary Austin was originally the *Van Tromp* owned by a Dutch firm. She came out East on the China run in 1905, carrying 6 Europeans excluding the Captain (3 Officers and 3 Engineers) with 3 masts. On changing ownership in 1905 she came to the Straits under the command of Captain Scott in the S.S. *Sanyo*, her Chief Engineer at the time being the late Mr. John McClure. Captain Boyle had charge of her for many years.

GERMANY AND KIOCHAU.
A FAMOUS TELEGRAM RECALLED.

South Africa will not hear of the surrender of Mittel-Afrika to Germany. Australia and New Zealand are equally emphatic concerning the Pacific islands. What remains? Not even China, over whose Kiochou so much German gold and blood have been unavailingly spilled. The Kaiser awarded its acquisition as an act of God, and acquiesced the treaty with China in an extraordinary telegram to his Chancellor, the late Prince Hohenlohe. The statesman was mourning the death of his wife at the time the treaty was executed, and his royal master made one message suffice to signalise the death of a woman and the birth of a colony.

"Although I am aware," he wired to his sorrow-stricken Chancellor, "that an outward joy cannot assuage the inward grief, yet I am filled with the most intense happiness that, by the grace of God, after the terrible blow which has fallen, such a splendid success has been granted you." It is finer words for pleasant success, work, and a reward compensation for sacrifices endured. Pray accept my imperial gratitude and hearty congratulations! I have just emptied a glass of champagne in your honour! Well, there is no German flag in Kiochou to-day.—*London Daily Chronicle.*

"EIGHT WIVES IN 24 YEARS."
Father Bernard Vaughan, addressing a meeting at Wigmore Hall recently, at which Cardinal Bourne presided, said that he hoped enfranchised women would raise a voice for no work on Sundays. "I charge them to defend the sanctity of marriage," said Father Vaughan, "and not to encourage a Bill which would entitle a man to have eight wives in 24 years."

Nearly everybody nowadays appears to be in favour of Government ownership of something, if it belongs to somebody else.—*New York World.*

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS and Conditions of the
lotting by Public Auction Sale, to be
held on MONDAY, the 29th day of
April, 1918, at 3 p.m., at the Office of
the Public Works Department, by Order of
His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot
of CRUWN LAND at Kowloon, in the
Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75
years, with the option of renewal at a
Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of
His Majesty the King, for one further
term of 75 years.

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NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Company's Steamship
"KAGA MARU"
having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are
herby informed that their Goods are
being landed and placed at their risk in
the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharves and
Godowns Company's Godowns at Kowloon,
where each consignee will be notified on
mark by mark and delivery can be
obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.
Optional Goods will be carried on unless
instructions are given to the contrary be-
fore Noon, To-day.

Goods not cleared by the 2nd May,
1918, will be subject to rent.
Damaged Packages must be left in the
Godowns for examination by the Con-
signees and the Co.'s representatives at
an appointed hour on TUESDAY and
FRIDAY. All claims must be pre-
sented within ten days of the steamer's
arrival here, after which date they cannot
be recognised. No claims will be admitted
after the goods have left the Godowns.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA,

Agents.

THE CALENDAR.

MEMO. FOR TO-DAY.
9.15 a.m.—Third Performance of "The
Witness for the Defence."

MEMO. FOR MONDAY.
Noon.—Sale of Kowloon leasehold
properties by Messrs Hughes and Hough.

GENERAL MEMORANDA.

TUESDAY, April 30—
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Furniture &c.
at Hughes & Hough's.
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household
Furniture, &c. at Hughes & Hough's.
WEDNESDAY, May 1—
9.15 p.m.—Italian War Films at
Victoria Theatre.
THURSDAY, May 2—
Noon.—Annual General Meeting of
A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd.
Monday, May 6—
Noon.—Extraordinary General Meet-
ing of Hongkong Ice Company.
SATURDAY, May 11—
Noon.—Hongkong Electric Co. meet-
ing.
TUESDAY, May 14—
3.15 p.m.—Sale by auction of "Tus-
culum" Parker Road by Mr. Geo. P.
Lawrence.

OVERLAND CHINA MAIL.

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

We are informed by Bishop Por-
son that the exercises for the month of
May in the Roman Catholic Cathedral
will commence at 6 p.m. daily.

The Standard Oil Co. has adopted
at Shanghai a new scheme of daylight
savings, by making the summer office
hours 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., with no work in
the afternoon.

Readers are reminded that the last
performance of "Witness for the De-
fence" takes place to-night at 9.15
p.m. at the Theatre Royal. Those who
appreciate an absorbingly interesting
play well acted and staged should not
miss this opportunity.

This week's Orders of the St. John
Ambulance Brigade, which will be found
in another column, announce that the
Brigade is prepared whenever possible
to send, on application, trained mem-
bers with suitable equipment for duty
at public gatherings.

The lectures arranged to be given
by the Rev. Percy Dearmer have had to
be cancelled. Dr. Dearmer is bound
for the United States and alteration in
the date of his sailing has made it im-
possible to extend his stay in Hong-
kong beyond to-day.

An American trade report, dated
March 2nd, states:—"There has been
an active demand for tinplate for
shipment from the Far East and South
America. The British Government has
now given permission for shipments
from Hongkong to the United States,
and considerable business for future
delivery has been done."

The Straits Times understands from
a reliable source that Eurasians have
been granted the opportunity of partici-
pating in the defence of the Colony.
This is a realization of their representa-
tions to the Government, which have
been favourably considered. It is be-
lieved that such a privilege should be
afforded them, and our contemporary
hopes that every effort will be made by
the community to contribute to its
success.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

The appointment of Lieut. F. Medway,
R.N., to be Officer in charge of the
Examination Service at Hongkong
during the absence of Lieut. E. T. Johns,
R.N.R., is notified in the Gazette.

Among residents who left by the
Shimo Maru to-day were Sir Robert
Ho Tung (who is going on a short
visit to America), Sir Ellis Kadoorie (for
Shanghai), Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Ede, Mr.
and Mrs. F. C. Butcher, and Mr. T. A.
Loughlin.

Lieutenant E. F. Hardman, Machine
Gun Corps, who was reported miss-
ing, is now a prisoner of war in
Germany and in good health according
to news received by his father (at Shang-
hai) from the British War Office. The
message added that the camp in which
Lieut. Hardman is confined is not
known.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF
CANTON, LIMITED.

DIVIDEND ANNOUNCEMENT.

Subject to audit the Directors will
recommend that a final dividend of
\$20 and a bonus dividend of \$10 per
share be paid for account 1916,
making \$30 per share for the year, an
interim dividend of \$30 per share for
1917, and a bonus of 20 per cent. on
contributory premium. They will
further recommend that \$100,000 be
passed to Reinsurance Fund, leaving
\$1,150,000 to be carried forward to
Underwriting Reserve Account, thus
closing the account for 1916.

PIRACY IN NEW TERRITORY.

A Chinese married woman, owner
of a fishing junk, reported to the
Police that at 3.30 p.m. on the 19th
March, while the junk was on the
way from Ping Chau Island to Lung
Shun Wan, she was met by a fishing
boat with sixteen on board. Four men
pointed their rifles on her and ordered
the vessel to stop. The boat then came
alongside and four men armed with
rifles and one with a knife boarded the
vessel. They drove the complainant
and her two folk into the hold and
closed the hatch cover. The junk was
taken into Chinese territorial waters,
where the robbers removed 13 pieces
of salt fish and \$30 worth of salt and
various articles of clothing. The total
value being \$197.

GERMANY'S "GREATEST COLONIAL
PEACE AIM."THE SEIZURE OF PORTUGAL'S
AFRICAN COLONIES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

Zurich, April 25.

Dr. Hans Meyer, Professor of
Colonial Geography at Leipzig
University, has published an import-
ant work on the Portuguese Colonial
Empire in which he demands that
at the conclusion of peace Germany
should seize Portugal's Colonies in
order to build up Germany's African
possessions. He says: "Germany's
greatest colonial peace aim must be
the construction of a united Central
Africa resting on four pillars—Togo,
Cameroon, East Africa and
South-West Africa—stretching from
the Atlantic to the Indian Ocean and
taking in intermediate enemy terri-
tory, thus forming with the old
colonies a solid continental block.
How far French West Africa and
the British territory in East and
West Africa should be included must
depend on the further course of the
war. Professor Meyer goes on to say
that German Central Africa could not
exist without a strong chain of naval
stations which should include St.
Thomas in Portuguese Guinea, and
Madeira, in the Azores. These
would afford extraordinarily import-
ant outposts for controlling world
traffic.

The writer foresees determined
Allied and American opposition, but
concludes that Germany must take
by force what she requires for realis-
ing her world political aims.

ST. GEORGE'S SOCIETY.

ASSISTANCE IN THE TOMBOLA
ACKNOWLEDGED.

The Committee of the Society
of St. George desire to thank the
following for their kind services in
helping to bring about the success
of the Tombola:—

Mr. Chopard of the Astor House
Hotel for use of his premises as a
store and also for the most willing
assistance on numerous occasions.
His unflinching aid and help as well
as his generous action is much ap-
preciated.

Messrs. Lane, Crawford & Co. for
receiving gifts.

Mr. Hurley for arranging and dis-
playing prizes.

Messrs. Alex. Ross & Co. for loan
of hunting.

The Hongkong Electric Co. for fix-
ing lights.

The China & Japan Telephone Co.
for installing telephone.

The Hongkong Hotel and Astor
House for loan of resles.

The Army Ordnance Dept. for loan
of flags, screens, chairs, etc.

Messrs. Cheong Lee for assisting
to arrange prizes.

Messrs. Weing Hing for use of
furniture for the drawing of
prizes.

Mr. J. P. Braga for printing.

Special thanks are also due to the
Military and Police Authorities for
the special arrangements they so
kindly made which relieved the
workers of much anxiety and in a
great measure ensured the satisfac-
tory running of the Tombola.

In conclusion the Committee's
heartiest thanks are tendered to the
Press for the special interest they
evinced in the Tombola and the exten-
sive advertising facilities which were so
frequently and generously afforded.

THE MAGISTRACY.

ILLICIT AMMUNITION.

A Chinese woman pleaded not guilty
when brought before Mr. A. Dyer Ball
this morning on a charge of being in
unlawful possession of 1,200 rounds of
ammunition.

Revenue Inspector Clarke said a
Chinese searcher found the ammunition
on the after part of the defendant's
sampler, after a long chase in a sampler.

A Chinese searcher said the defendant
was arrested and told him that the
ammunition belonged to a man who
gave it to her to take charge. Search
was made for this man but it proved
fruitless.

Defendant giving evidence said she
had no knowledge whatever of the
presence of the ammunition in her boat.
His Worship was satisfied that the
woman was guilty. He gave her a very
severe warning and fined her \$500 or
one month's hard labour.

POWELL COMPLAINT IN CHILDREN.
DURING the summer months children
are subject to disorders of the
bowels and should receive the most
careful attention. As soon as any
unnatural looseness of the bowels is
noticed "The Children's Own Doctor"
and Diarrhoea Remedy should be given.
For sale by all Chemists and Store
keepers.

TOPICS OF THE WEEK.

There are whispers going round of
the probability of new Man-Power
legislation in the Colony very shortly,
having as its object the conscription
of men for active service at the Front,
and that the age limit will be a
high one.

While everybody who has seen
"The Witness for the Defence" is
full of praise for the way the play
was staged, I have heard some dis-
appointment expressed over the
selection of the piece. I think
everyone will agree that it was not
a play which can be described as
suited to the occasion, but when
"Pinkie and the Fairies" had to be
sacrificed owing to the prevailing
epidemic, it was a case of no
theatrical performance, at all or
putting on a play for which the stage
properties, etc., were procurable at
very short notice. "The Witness
for the Defence" had recently been
played at Shanghai, and it was
owing to the generosity of the
Shanghai A.D.C. that a play on
St. George's Day was made possible
at all, and when it is said that the
players had less than a month to
learn their parts, the marvellous
success of the production is all the
more astonishing.

If the St. George's Day efforts are
to result in a contribution of a clear
£30,000 to War Charities, it will be
necessary, I imagine, that the whole
100,000 War Bond Drawing Tickets
should be taken up, and as the date
of the drawing has been postponed
for a month or six weeks, I should
think, considering the wide appeal
they make in the East, that it is
probable that the amount will be
fully subscribed. The numbers sell-
ing in Hongkong just now are in
the "Seventy thousands. Are you
my reader, loaded up? Do you
think you have the lucky number
already? Let me quote you a little
story from a Straits paper:—

Appropos of the first Kedah (our Day
lottery, there is an interesting episode
touching the winner of the first prize.
It is said that previous to the drawing,
he was at a temple in Ipoh bent on
prayer. He was sitting under a tree
in company with several Chetties.
The tree was in full bloom and so flowers
kept on falling to the ground. Incidentally
an unusual collection of flowers was
gathered on his turban which attracted
the attention of his friends. They in-
formed him of the circumstances when
he asked them if they could tell him
what it foreboded. One of the Chetties
said, "Flowers are usually rather in a
tray to be used in prayer to the Gods.
Here the flowers are gathered on your
head which means that the Gods are
going to favour you." They advised him
to buy a lottery ticket. He said he had
already bought some hundreds of them
but they pressed him to buy another,
which he did. The last ticket bought
was the winning one!

The moral of this little story
doesn't need to be pointed, does it?

There has been a good deal of
comment in the Colony in places
where little groups of men are wont
to foregather regarding the pro-
ceedings at the meeting of con-
tributors and subscribers of St. John's
Cathedral last Monday and I have
heard some surprise expressed that
there has been no public comment
in the local Press, on the subject.

Why is it? Well, perhaps the
Editors are infected with the general
apathy regarding church matters.
"Anyway," as Cousin Jonathan
would say, "What was it all about?"
The reports of the proceedings
do not reveal very much, and it
looks as if "there is something
behind it all." For instance, ques-
tions like these suggest themselves:

1.—What circumstances have
made a revision of the Ordina-
nce necessary?
2.—What is the object in view?
3.—Is such revision as is now
approved calculated to attain
that object?
4.—Will it serve to remove the
reproach that the Church is
not so closely in touch with
the people as it ought to be?
I suppose the answer that the
authors of the amendment would
make to the last question would be:
"We, at least, hope so," but the
opinion expressed by H.E.S. The
Governor at the meeting that such
a revision would be done, a great
impetus to the Church, seems to be
one which is widely endorsed.

THE DOG, CAT AND
POULTRY SHOW.

The third Dog, Cat and Poultry Show
under the patronage of His Excellency
the Governor and Sir William Rees
Davies K.C., was held in the Jockey
Club enclosure at the Race-course, this
afternoon, by kind permission of the
Jockey Club Stewards.

A large number of people attended and
the entries were very satisfactory, there
being fifteen classes in Dogs, and
seventeen classes in Poultry. Alto-
gether there were 80 entries of dogs and
some of the specimens were exceedingly
high class.

The officials were:—
COMMITTEE.—The Hon. Sir Paul
Chater C.M.G., Commander Beckwith
R.N., Dr. J. W. Noble, Dr. Forsyth,
Sergeant Pitt and Messrs H. J. Stabb,
H. J. Gedge, A. H. Milroy, J. F.
McCarthy, M. S. Northcote and Leo
Longinotto.

SPECIAL STEWARDS.—Mr. T. F.
Hough and Mr. W. Logan.

JUDGES.—His Excellency the Gover-
nor, Mr. Dyer, Mrs. Danby, Mr. R. J.
McCarthy, Mr. Lee Longinotto and
Mr. Adam Gibson.

The results of the Dog judging were
as follow:—

Class A. Fox Terrier Dogs.—1, Mr.
W. Forsyth's Pincher; 2, Miss Tatam's
Nipper.
Class A. Fox Terrier Bitches.—1, Mr.
C. L. Howell's Priscilla; 2, Mr. C. L.
Howell's Jennie.

Class B. Fox Terriers (Wire Hair).—
1, Mr. V. A. D. Oettingen's Hector.
Class C. Irish Terriers.—1, Mr. D. E.
Donnelly's Lilly.

Class D. Bull Dogs.—1, Mr. A.
Ritchie's Jock.
Class E. Aberdeen Terriers.—1, Mr.
D. Logan's Rusty; 2, Miss Mitchell's
Jock.

Class F. Airedales.—1, Mr. H. J.
Gedge's Mac.
Class G. Bull Terriers.—1, Mr. Mac
Crae's Trinia.

Class H. Chow Dogs.—Mrs. Lyle's
Rajah; 2, Mr. A. E. Cannell's Teddy;
3, Mr. G. Morrison's Sandy.

Class I. Pointers.—1, Mr. E. G. de
Souza's Bobbie; 2, Mr. A. M. d'Eca's
Belle.

Class J. Setters.—Mr. R. Hall's Nelly;
2, Mr. H. Humphrey's Gilly.
Class K. Japanese.—Mrs. Har-
rington's Chiro; 2, Mr. Brian Jones's
Yummy; 3, Mr. G. Cousin's Jolie.

Class L. English Pugs.—1, Miss A.
Tyson's Jack; 2, Mrs. G. P. Jordan's
Black Prince.

Class M. Unclassified.—1, Miss Ro-
bertson's Sunny; 2, Mr. Li Chor Chi's
Bex Samoyede; 3, Inspector McEwen's
Billy.

Special Prize for Best Dog in Show.—
Mr. A. Ritchie's Jock.

Special Prize for Best Bitch in
Show.—Mrs. McCrae's Trinia.

Special Cup for best Fox Terrier in
Show.—Mr. C. L. Howell's Priscilla.

The judging of the cats and poultry
had not reached us when we went to
press.

HONGKONG CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP.
1918.

The results of the games concluded
during the past week are as follows:—
To U Lan beat Phipps.
Lo Hing Kun beat Wendenberg.
Sequeira beat Lo Hing Kun.
Carvalho beat To U Lan.
Stevens beat Rosario.

The scores up to date are as follows:—
Carvalho ... 0
Chan Kwan Chi ... 0
Ho Leung Wong ... 0
Lo Hing Kun ... 1
Phipps ... 0
Pollock ... 2
Rosario ... 2
Sequeira ... 1
Stevens ... 1
To U Lan ... 1
Wendenberg ... 0
Un Kwei Yung ... 1

Bainsay, Bly and Smith have con-
cluded no games.
Several games have been claimed by
default, and the claims are being
checked.

Mr. Zia Ding and Mr. Weiller have
retired from the competition. The scores
of the games in which they took part
have therefore been cancelled.

A WITNESS REBUKED.

A Chinese woman was charged before
Mr. Wolfe this morning with the theft
of a revolver from an Annamite.
The complainant said the woman
lived in the same house with him, and
during his absence from the house the
previous evening, the defendant entered
his room and stole the revolver.
Defendant said that the complainant
fired on her once and when she took
the revolver away from him, he told her
to throw it into the harbour. She told
him that she would give it to his elder
brother instead.

Another woman gave evidence and
her story was so unsatisfactory that
His Worship warned her to be very
careful, else she would get into trouble
for lying.

After further evidence the case was
dismissed.

THE FRUIT SEASON.
Fruit is now beginning to be pre-
pared for export. The first season
of the year is now being prepared. The
Colony and the Straits Settlements
have a large supply of fruit. It may save a life. For sale by all
Chemists and Storekeepers.

ST. STEPHEN'S COLLEGE.

ANNUAL SPORTS.

St. Stephen's College's annual sports
were held yesterday at Happy Valley,
and were witnessed by a large gathering
of parents and friends of the scholars.
The proceedings were enlivened by a
programme of music provided by the
Band of the 18th Infantry and refresh-
ments were served and were much
appreciated in view of the heat. At the
close of the sports, Mrs. J. M. Wong
presented the prizes after which
she was presented with a fine bouquet
of roses and given three hearty cheers.

The Rev. Mr. Howitt thanked the
Jockey Club for the use of the ground
and also the donors of the prizes, who
were always so generous in this respect.

Mr. Wong thanked the Sports Com-
mittee for the honour done to Mrs.
Wong in being asked to distribute the
prizes and congratulated the school on
the success of the sports.

The Officials were:—
Judges: Mr. F. A. Redmond, Capt.
J. C. Cooney, Mr. Woon Chow Foon,
Mr. A. Hughes, Lt. G. H. V. Jeffries,
and Rev. C. B. Shann.

Starters: Mr. E. Green, Mr. Lo Hin
Shing, Mr. J. P. Jones and Mr. Ng Sze
Kwong.

Time-keepers: Mr. Fung Man Siu,
and Mr. Ng Sze Yuen.

Clerks of the Course: Mr. Wong
Tao Ting, Mr. Ling Hung Ming, Mr.
Fu Ping Sheng, Mr. Cheng Man
Kwong, Mr. Lee Yam Po, Mr. Wong
Fung Kwan, Rev. King Lee, Mr. Leung
Nai Yuen, Mr. Chao Kuo Liang and
Mr. Ang Sze Cheung.

THE RESULTS.
Senior 120 yards (final): 1, Toi Hak
Hon; 2, Kwok Pok Hing; 3, Pang Kwok
Fat. Time: 19.4/5 secs.

Middle 100 yards (final): 1, Pau Him
Kwong; 2, Wong Ting Ming; 3, Felix
Chan. Time: 11.3/5 secs.

Junior 100 yards (final): 1, Lo Kun
Hung; 2, Percy Lai; 3, Ma Hin Lee.
Time: 13.3/5 secs.

OPEN 100 YARDS: 1, Toi Hak Hon; 2,
Kwok Pok Hing; 3, Pang Kwok Fat.
Time: 10.4/5 secs.

Senior Long Jump: 1, Kwok Pok
Hing (16 ft. 11 ins.); 2, Wong Kap
Tang; 3, Toi Hak Hon.

Middle Long Jump: 1, Pau Him
Kwong (16 ft. 2 ins.); 2, Tan Kim San;
3, Felix Chan.

Junior Long Jump: 1, Ma Hin Lee
(14 ft. 11 ins.); 2, Yeung Shio Hong;
3, Ma Wai Bai.

Senior 220 yards (final): 1, Toi Hak
Hon; 2, Kwok Pok Hing; 3, Pang
Kwok Fat.

Middle 220 yards (final): 1, Pau Him
Kwong; 2, Felix Chan; 3, Chiu
Kwok Kwan. Time: 37.2/5 secs.

Junior 220 yards (final): 1, Lo Kun
Hung; 2, Percy Lai; 3, Yeung Shio
Hong. Time: 42.2/5 secs.

Putting the shot (Open): 1, Ng Shiu
Heung (22 ft. 5 1/2 ins.); 2, Kwok Pok
Hing; 3, Tan Kim San.

Old Males' Hammer Throw: 1, Cheng
Yee Ying; 2, Pau Kwok Kwong; 3, Ng
Hong Bi. Time: 3 mins. 56 secs.

Old Males' Hammer Throw (open): 1, Ma
Hin Lee; 2, Chiu Kwok Kwan; 3, Yue
Man Kong.

Senior Boys' Mathematics Race 100
yards: 1, Ma Wai Bai; 2, Chau Kwan
Nin; 3, Ma Hin Lee.

Senior Half Mile: 1, Toi Hak Hon;
2, Kwok Pok Hing; 3, Yue Man Kwong.
Time: 2 mins. 33.2/5 secs.

Middle Half Mile: 1, Felix Chan;
2, Chiu Kwok Kwan; 3, Yeung Shio
Hong. Time: 2 mins. 39.2/5 secs.

Senior Hammer Race 120 yards
(final): 1, Kwok Pok Hing; 2, Toi
Hak Hon; 3, Ng Shio Heung. Time:
18.1/5 secs.

Old Males' Hammer Race (120 yards)
(final): 1, Felix Chan; 2, Pau Him
Kwong; 3, Wong Ting Ming. Time: 20 1/2
secs.

Old Males' Hammer Race (120 yards)
1st Form: 1, Form VI.

CUP WINNERS.
220 Yards: 1, Kwok Pok Hing; 27
points; runner up, Toi Hak Hon, 23
points.

Middle Cup: Pau Him Kwong, 23
points; runner up, Felix Chan, 19
points.

THE ZEEBRUGGE RAID.

ADMIRALTY PUBLISHES THRILLING DETAILS

(Continued from Page 1.)

STORY TOLD BY CAPTAIN OF H.M.S. VINDICTIVE.

London, April 25. The papers continue to publish full accounts of the magnificent work of the Zebrugge and Ostend enterprises.

The Captain of the *Vindictive* states:—

Before starting the Admiral signalled "St. George for England!" The *Vindictive* replied, "May we give the dragon's tail a damned good twist?"

The Captain added: Before the operation every man was informed fully as to the great risk, but not a single one buckled out. In one ship a certain number of men were ordered to be left, but in almost a unanimous spirit they came before the Captain and refused to leave, so they were eventually taken aboard one block ship. All the ships started off at great speed with smoke screen craft ahead. Meanwhile a heavy bombardment was being carried out by monitors. On emerging from the smoke screen, the mole of Zebrugge could be seen a hundred yards away. We got alongside the mole and made efforts to grapple with it. The *Duffield*, which was following close astern, came up and in the most gallant manner placed her bows against the *Vindictive* and pushed the latter sideways against the mole. The *Iris* also got alongside, 200 yards ahead of us. There was a heavy swell; the ships were rolling and our men had to climb along the bows, which was a very perilous task, especially as the ends of these bows were one moment ten feet above the wall, the next moment crashing on to the wall itself. The way the men got ashore was almost superhuman. It was not only a case of barefoot seamen running along the deck, but of men carrying heavy accoutrements, bombs, Lewis guns, and other things along a very narrow and exceedingly unsteady plank.

Twenty-five minutes after we were alongside the blockships were seen rounding the lighthouse, heading for the entrance of the canal, and we knew that the work of covering their entrance had been accomplished. Fifteen minutes later there was a tremendous explosion at the shore end of the mole and we knew our submarine had got in between the piles and the viaduct connecting the mole and the shore, and we knew the submarine's crew had blown up the submarine, cutting off the mole from the shore. The crew got away in a small motor skiff, but the propeller was lost and she had to be paddled against a heavy tide under machine-gun fire from a range of only a few feet. A large number of Germans were on the viaduct a few feet above the submarine firing the machine-guns. Every one of these Germans went up with the viaduct. The cheer that went up from our men when they saw the terrific explosion was one of the finest things I have ever heard. The only question the wounded men asked was: "Have we won?" as if it had been a football match. One poor fellow, lying on the deck with one arm shot off, waved the other as I passed, saying, "The very best of luck to you, Sir." The leading blockship ran aground close off the entrance to the canal on the edge of the channel and was sunk as far as possible across the channel. She signalled to the other two, which went past her straight through the canal entrance and inside the shore line.

Rather over an hour after the *Vindictive* got alongside the situation was this: The blockers had passed in and got to the end of the run. They could not do more. The viaduct had been blown up and the mole stormed. It would only have meant sacrifice of life for the boarding party to remain longer, so signals to withdraw were given, and all that could get away got away. Every man and every officer behaved so splendidly that even now when I think over the whole thing it seems like a dream.

FULL NARRATIVE BY THE ADMIRALTY.

London, April 25. The Admiralty has issued a full narrative of the raid on Zebrugge and Ostend which in its stirring details brings into strong relief both the immense difficulties of the task undertaken and the astonishing ingenuity and reckless daring with which they were overcome. The narrative is full of thrilling episodes, experiences of individual vessels engaged and of the storming party on the mole.

Naturally the most striking of these are the experiences of H.M.S. *Vindictive* which landed the force on the mole, and her attendant ferry-boats, the *Iris* and the *Duffield*.

As the *Vindictive* lay alongside the mole rolling and bumping against its foundations she was swept diagonally by machine-gun fire from both ends of the mole, and heavy batteries ashore. The landing parties of marines and blue-jackets were gathered on the main and lower decks. The commanders of both were killed before the word for assault was given, but the men were magnificent. They had to rush across swaying, splintering gangways and drop over a parapet into a field of fire from German machine-guns, then a further drop of sixteen feet on to the mole itself, but nothing stopped the orderly and speedy landing.

The storming and demolition parties on the mole met no resistance apart from intense and unremitting fire, the Germans having on the approach of the ships retired to the shore end of the mole. The demolition parties carried out the work in perfect order, destroying building after building. Meanwhile the blockships were steaming to the mouth of the canal. The *Thetis* came first, steaming into a tornado of shells from the shore batteries. The bulk of the crew had already been taken off. Unfortunately her propeller found the net defence and this rendered her unmanoeuvrable. The batteries pounded her. She found herself sinking still hundreds of yards from the mouth of the canal. After signalling invaluable information her commander drew the charges and sank her.

(Message incomplete.)

"COMPLETELY SUCCESSFUL."

Later. Reuter is informed from a high naval source that the latest reports show that the Zebrugge operations were completely successful.

KAISER VISITS ZEEBRUGGE.

AMSTERDAM, April 26. According to a Berlin telegram, the Kaiser visited Zebrugge on April 23 and inspected the scene of the naval operations and gathered an account of the fight from a captured British Captain of Marines who said the attack was prepared and started on four occasions but was abandoned owing to the vigilance of the German outposts.

FOOD SCARCE AT PETROGRAD.

A CRITICAL SITUATION.

LONDON, April 26. A wireless Russian official notice addressed to the Councils and Deputies in the *Corn* provinces says the food situation at Petrograd is again critical; only one day's supplies being available, and it urgently asks for help.

THE IRISH VICEROYALTY.

LONDON, April 26. It is rumoured that Lord Wimborne is retiring from the Viceroyalty of Ireland.

THE AIR MINISTRY.

LONDON, April 26. Sir William Weir is mentioned as the probable successor of Lord Rothermere.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE RENEWED OFFENSIVE.

HEAVY FIGHTING ON BRITISH FRONT.

ENEMY ATTACKS REPULSED.

LONDON, April 25. Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—

The heavy fighting all night long in and around Villers-Bretonneux continues. We regained ground in counter-attacks and took a number of prisoners. The fighting yesterday on the whole of this front was most severe. Heavy casualties were inflicted on the enemy by the infantry and Tanks. The enemy was thrice repulsed with loss northward of the Villers-Bretonneux-St. Quentin road. He used a few Tanks in this fighting. Also, late last night he attacked the French north-eastward of Baillou and was repulsed. The enemy early this morning renewed his attacks in this sector and on the British positions farther east after an intense bombardment. Fighting continues in this sector on a wide front.

The enemy at night attempted a raid in the neighbourhood of Bessy and was repulsed. Hostile artillery was active at night time in the Festubert and Robecq sectors.

LATEST NEWS ENCOURAGING.

HEAVY FIGHTING ON VARIOUS SECTORS.

LONDON, April 25. Reuter's Correspondent at British Headquarters, telegraphing to-day, says:—

There was heavy and continuous fighting yesterday in the region of Mont Kemmel and Metzen and astride the Amiens-St. Quentin road.

The fighting around Villers-Bretonneux lasted throughout the night, and is still in progress. From the direction of Hangard the Germans got a footing in Bois d'Aigueux, the easternmost of a little chain of woods skirting the Amiens Road, West of Bretonneux. We counter-attacked and drove back the enemy to the fringe of the wood.

The latest news this morning is distinctly encouraging. We have taken ground at several places and the general position is considerably improved.

In the Bretonneux fighting Tanks were used by both sides. Ours did well in support of the infantry. Two got among the Germans and did great execution.

The enemy launched a very heavy attack against the French in the region of Dranoutre last night, penetrating a section of the French front line. The French promptly counter-attacked and restored the position.

At two o'clock this morning, an intense gas barrage was opened against the French front in Flanders, also against some of our troops acting with them. About two hours later deep waves of infantry delivered an assault. Fighting is still in progress. The enemy was beaten off in various minor attacks.

ZEEBRUGGE RAID.

SENSATION AMONG GERMANS.

AMSTERDAM, April 25. The *Telegraph's* frontier Correspondent states that the Zebrugge mole has been entirely separated from the shore. He confirms that the exploding of the submarine made a breach at least twenty-five metres wide. The opening is clearly visible from Calvados. It divides the pier into two parts. The breach is near the coast, proving that the submarine, despite nets, etc., penetrated far into the harbour.

On the shore side of the harbour lies the wreck of a two-funnelled torpedo-boat. Many German wounded have been sent to Bruges. The enemy losses were undoubtedly great. The entire garrison was called up during the night by sirens and the ringing of bells. Terrified inhabitants fled to Ramscapelle and Bruges. The raid created the greatest sensation; the people scarcely believing that a landing had occurred. The Correspondent emphasises its moral significance.

THE MISLEADING GERMAN REPORT.

LONDON, April 25. There is much amusement over last night's German communications regarding the Zebrugge and Ostend enterprises. Although it was fully expected that Germany would minimise them and claim that they sank the ships we sank, what the communications does not explain is how it was possible to make a landing on Zebrugge mole in the teeth of the mines and fortifications, and take the ships out again when the work was accomplished. It is taken for granted that the unpleasant facts will be kept from the German people as long as possible.

GERMAN STATES NAVAL OPERATIONS ARE UNDISTURBED.

LONDON, April 25. A German official message says:— "Our naval warfare operations from the Flanders coast is undisturbed by the British attacks on Ostend and Zebrugge on the 24th inst."

EASTERN FRONT GALLANT CONDUCT.

MILITARY CROSS AWARDED.

LONDON, April 25.

The *Gazette* announces that the Military Cross has been awarded to Temporary Lieut. W. D. Woodworth, attached to the Indian Cavalry, for conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty.

As Divisional Intelligence officer, he accompanied a leading party, which during a raid penetrated the enemy's lines. Regardless of the danger, he ran ahead of the party ordering the enemy to surrender. His gallant action markedly contributed to the success of the enterprise and enabled much valuable information to be obtained.

Lieutenant Woodworth before he joined up was a member of the Chartered Bank's Staff at Saigon.—(Ed.)

THE ITALIAN FRONT.

SEAPLANES SUCCESSFUL ENTERPRISE.

LONDON, April 25.

An Italian official message says:— A seaplane squadron, on the 22nd inst., scored two direct hits on an enemy torpedo-boat in the neighbourhood of Pola and also heavily bombed an enemy warship and torpedo-boats in Fiume Canal.

GERMANY AND HOLLAND.

THE QUESTION VERY SERIOUS.

THE HAGUE, April 25. In the first Chamber, the Foreign Minister, speaking on the "east" and "west" question, declared he could not and must not conceal from the Chamber that the question was very serious. He could not at present say more.

CHIEF QUESTION OF DISPUTE UNKNOWN IN LONDON.

LONDON, April 25. It is still unknown in London whether sand and gravel is the chief question of dispute between Holland and Germany.

TROUBLE WITH REGARD TO EXPORTS.

Speaking in the First Chamber to-day, Mr. London, Foreign Minister, indicated there were also the difficulties with Germany as regards exports from Holland to Germany.

Referring to the shipping question, he said England had given a written pledge that ships which left or were leaving the East Indies since March 22nd would not be seized.

GERMAN CAVALRY QUARTERED ON FRONTIER.

AMSTERDAM, April 25.

The *Telegraph's* Correspondent at the Dutch-Westphalian frontier states that the Germans are preparing to quarter cavalry at the various German frontier places in Westphalia, hitherto guarded only by Landsturm. The preparations have caused a sensation among the frontier inhabitants.

German papers appearing at frontier places contain alarming reports about possible complications with Holland.

ANOTHER WARNING FROM GERMANY.

STOCKHOLM, April 25. Telegrams are published daily from Germany about the strained relations between Germany and Holland. Again Germany gives a warning of her future action by her agents, attributing all sorts of intentions to the Allies as regards Holland.

THE RUSSIAN BLACK SEA FLEET.

GERMANY ASKED FOR ASSURANCES.

LONDON, April 25. A Russian message states that Germany has been asked for an assurance that the Russian Black Sea Fleet, while obeying the terms of the peace treaty by remaining in Sebastopol, would not be seized or damaged by German submarines, which are apparently about to blockade Sebastopol.

GERMAN OUTRAGES IN UKRAINE.

UHANS RAIDING FOR FOOD.

LONDON, April 25. The Uhlans continue to raid Ukraine for foodstuffs.

Peasants with machine-guns at Masoorev were surrounded and taken prisoners by three squadrons, who compelled them to disarm. They were then mercilessly slain by the Uhlans.

ANTI-CONSCRIPTIONISTS IN IRELAND.

In the House of Commons, replying to Major Newman, Unionist member for Enfield, Mr. Balfour said he had seen in the Press a report that a member of the Sacred College had recently pledged himself to prevent conscription in Ireland, but he could hardly believe that the member of the Military Service Act was legally applied to Ireland any member of the Sacred College would oppose the law of the land. Doubtless the Vatican was kept fully informed in this connection.

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GREAT BRITAIN'S MUNITION RESOURCES.

ENCOURAGING STATEMENT BY MUNITIONS MINISTER.

LONDON, April 25.

In the House of Commons Mr. Churchill announced that the British had lost nearly a thousand guns by shellfire or capture and between four thousand and five thousand machine-guns since March 21. All losses had been replaced and in many cases more than replaced by the end of last week. (Cheers.)

Mr. Churchill said to-day we had more guns of practically every calibre than when the battle began. The German claim to the capture of nearly double the number of guns mentioned was a grotesque exaggeration and untrue, but even if it had been true he believed he would still have been able to say that all our losses in guns had been replaced. Regarding the machine-guns, the Ministry of Munitions had placed at the disposal of the Military and Air authorities more than twice as many guns as had been lost and destroyed.

Besides meeting all needs of the great battle as regards aeroplanes, the Air Ministry had been able to carry out the programme of expansion. The output of Tanks had been so accelerated that we were able to replace every Tank lost by one of newer and better pattern as fast as the Army could take delivery. The expenditure on small arm ammunition last month did not exceed the maximum potential capacity of our factories without touching our enormous reserves. The very great wastage of rifles had been easily and promptly replaced.

THE DEPARTMENTS CALCULATIONS.

Our preparations had contemplated a period of supreme battle intensely this year from the third week of February. As the German offensive opened a month later we were at present between a week and three weeks to the good on our original calculation, which provided for the Army firing during the whole fighting season a considerably heavier volume of shells than they expended on the weekly average of the great offensive battles last year, and over double the volume of shells expended during the Somme offensive of 1916. The calculation also provided for carrying forward into 1919 sufficient reserves to allow the aggregate British total to mount one step higher in 1919 in weight, intensity and power.

If the workers continued their loyal support, undoubtedly the supply of munitions would enable us to carry on the battle at the supreme pitch of intensity and with continually growing power, as far as munitions were concerned, throughout the whole possible fighting portion of 1918 without compromising our requirements for 1919. (Cheers.)

MUNITION WORKERS RELEASED FOR THE ARMY.

Since May last the Ministry of Munitions had released over 100,000 men for the Army and continued to release them at the rate of over a thousand daily.

Paying a tribute to the munition workers Mr. Churchill stated that recently less than one-sixth of the total time worked had been lost owing to disputes, while this loss had been more than wiped out by extra time worked at Easter. "Let us end this carping about the attitude of Labour regarding the war. We ought to congratulate ourselves on the loyal-hearted people whose servants we have the honour to be."

THE AEROPLANE OUTPUT.

Mr. Churchill paid a warm tribute to the work of the three-quarters of a million women munition workers to whom over nine-tenths of the whole manufacture of shells was due. We were now turning out more aeroplanes a week than for the whole of 1914, more per month than for the whole of 1915, and more per quarter than for the whole of 1916, and the output in 1918 would be several times the output of 1917. Their quality in every way had improved. He confidently anticipated the primacy of our air service among the Allies and increasing superiority over that of the enemy.

THE GAS WEAPON.

Regarding poison gas, officers concerned (Mr. Churchill) told him that undoubtedly the gas killed more Germans than German troops killed our men; but the German irritant gas inflicted more casualties of a comparatively transient nature. Our gas masks were the best in the world. We had supplied them by the million not only to our own men but to the Italians and had large stores available for the Americans.

INCREASED OUTPUT OF GUNS.

We were now producing guns very rapidly. As far as could be foreseen we could have sufficient guns in 1918 to fire more than all the ammunition we could manufacture.

All the great armies in the later stages of this war would be fully supplied with guns and shells; but guns would be the limiting factor in artillery development. There was ground for believing that the great capture of guns by the Germans would not be of so much use to them as some claimed. "Mr. Churchill," he declared, "look where you will, you will not get to the bottom of the resources of Great Britain. No demand is too sudden to be met, no need too unexpected to be supplied, no strain too prolonged for the people of our people, our suffering can stand our hearts." (Cheers.)

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